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PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE TECHNOLOGY CENTER ART UNIT 1775

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Morishige UCHIDA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1775

Application No.: 10/712,092

Examiner:

C. Lam

Filed: November 14, 2003

Docket No.:

117755

For:

SURFACE-TREATED ULTRAFINE METAL POWDER, METHOD FOR

PRODUCING THE SAME, CONDUCTIVE METAL PASTE OF THE SAME, AND

MULTILAYER CERAMIC CAPACITOR USING SAID PASTE

RESPONSE TO EX PARTE QUAYLE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the March 4, 2005, Ex Parte Quayle Action, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims;

Remarks.